

**APPROVED MINUTES
CITY OF MILPITAS
YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION**

Minutes: Regular Meeting of the Youth Advisory Commission
Date of Meeting: Thursday, February 9, 2006
Time of Meeting: 7:00 p.m.
Place of Meeting: 1325 E. Calaveras Blvd. Milpitas Teen Center

A. ROLL CALL

Chair Hall called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Commissioners Present:

Joseph Hall, Lorden Fok, Aditya Ullal, Jay Kumar, Alex Tran, and Ha La

Alternates Present:

Josephine Fong, Sareen Sandhu, and Jason Nguyen

Commissioners Absent:

Danielle Yee, Roxanne Lachance, Nida Asif, and Larry Le

City Council Present:

Debbie Giordano

City Staff Present:

Samu Tiumalu, Program Coordinator

Dale Flunoy, Program Coordinator

B. SEATING OF ALTERNATES:

Chair Joseph Hall sat Josephine Fong for Roxanne Lachance and Jason Nguyen for Jay Kumar.

C. FLAG SALUTE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

D. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOTION to adopt the minutes from Thursday, January 12, 2006 was made.

M/S: Ullal/Tran **Ayes:** All

E. CITIZENS FORUM

F. ANNOUNCEMENT

Program Coordinator Samu Tiumalu requested two (2) volunteers to assist with the Month of the Young Child presentation at the City Council meeting on March 21, 2006 starting at 7:00pm. Commissioner Ullal and La volunteered their assistance with the event. Program Flunoy informed the commission that the YAC Attack registration deadline was extended. He requested interested commissioners to let him know by the end of the meeting if they were able to attend the Youth Advisory Conference (YAC Attack) on Saturday, March 25, 2006, at Camden Community Center.

G. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION to adopt the agenda of February 9, 2006.

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M/S: Ullal/Asif

Ayes: All

H. OLD BUSINESS

1. Media Report:

Commissioner Ullal started the discussion about the type of article that could be written for the Milpitas Post. Commissioner Yee suggested writing an article about the YAC and their purpose. Commissioner Tran agreed with the suggestion and also suggested adding the current projects the commission is working on. After much discussion, Commissioner Ullal volunteered to draft the first article and send to City staff to make revisions.

MOTION was made to have this item be standing agenda item for monthly discussion and to finalize the Milpitas Post article.

M/S: Ullal/Asif

Ayes: All

2. Alcohol Awareness Bookmark

Program Coordinator Tiumalu distributed a copy of last year's bookmark for the commission to review. Commissioner Ullal suggested adding more updated information on the bookmark. Commissioner Asif suggested having more than just an alcohol bookmark and should include other areas such as drugs. Commissioner La agreed and suggested including tobacco as well since it is another teen issue. Commissioner Ullal suggested setting up a sub-committee to research information for the bookmark. Commissioner's La, Sandhu and Nguyen offered their assistance for the sub-committee. After much discussion, the commission directed the sub-committee to research the information and bring back to the March 9, meeting for further discussion.

MOTION was made to have the sub-committee research the information and bring back to the March 9 commission meeting for discussion.

M/S: Ullal/Tran

Ayes: All

3. Graffiti Terminators:

Commissioner Ullal provided two (2) painting dates for the commission to consider, Friday, February 17 or Friday, February 24. The commission selected Friday, February 24 as the date for the painting date. Commissioner Ullal reiterated that if you haven't already done so, please submit the required paperwork for the Graffiti Terminators project.

MOTION was made to conduct painting on Friday, February 24.

M/S: Ullal/Nguyen

Ayes: All

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. Students Taking Action Now: Dafur (S.T.A.N.D) presentation

S.T.A.N.D representatives Brandon Li and Eric Mendez conducted the presentation and requested the Youth Advisory Commission's assistance with supporting their group as well as helping create awareness of the problems in Dafur, Sudan. Program Coordinator Flunoy informed the commission and the S.T.A.N.D group that staff would have to look into any political implications that might be involved with partnering on a political matter and if the rules would allow for the commission's involvement.

MOTION was made to re-agendize this item for the March 9 meeting for further discussion.

M/S: Ullal/Fok

Ayes: All

J. OTHER BUSINESS

1. City Council Liaison Report

Councilmember Giordano reported that the City Council had adopted the new Economic Development Plan and will set budget items in motion for 2006-2008. The Council is also working on a "Shop Milpitas" program to boost business for local businesses. She also stated that they are also looking at identifying new landmarks in Milpitas, and that the Library project is on target and has begun construction. The City Council also adopted a "No Smoking" ordinance in parks, public gatherings and sporting venues.

2. Staff Report

Program Coordinator Samu Tiumalu reported that the Teen Center was averaging 35-40 teens per day, and that the Teen Center would be holding a Band Night on Friday, February 10 from 6-10pm. Local bands "After Skool Project", "Per Capita", "FFO (First Flight Out)" and "Noisy Minority" would be performing.

3. Future Agenda Items

- Media Report
- Alcohol Awareness Bookmark
- Graffiti Terminators
- S.T.A.N.D (Students Taking Action Now: Dafur) update
- Open Government Ordinance training video

K. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Commissioner Hall adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m. to Thursday, March 9, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. at the Milpitas Teen Center.

Respectfully Submitted,
Samu Tiumalu
Program Coordinator